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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Discharge of KVP PersonnelEVALUATION see below

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT 20 and 30 July 1953

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DATE PREPARED 21 August 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

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1. On 20 July 1953, source learned [REDACTED] 25X1  
in Pasewalk that 50 percent of the troops would leave, with 20 percent  
earmarked for discharge and 30 percent for transfer. Forty of the available  
field kitchens allegedly discontinued operations.
2. On 20 July, source observed in Pasewalk that ex-VPs in civilian clothes  
and carrying baggage were shipped to the railroad station. It was rumored  
that about 400 VPs had been discharged between 19 and 25 July.
3. On 30 July, [REDACTED] 25X1  
near the Potsdam Luftschiffhafen, Britzke (fnu), that, in a conference  
attended by all commanding officers of the KVP, it had been announced that  
20,000 VPs would be discharged. The discharge would affect VPs with several  
years of service as well as VPs and employees who were considered politically 25X1  
unreliable or had violated discipline.

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